

Farmington Hills Nature Center Taking learning outside! Self-Guided Nature Walk FPS 4th Grade Science Unit: Shifting Sands

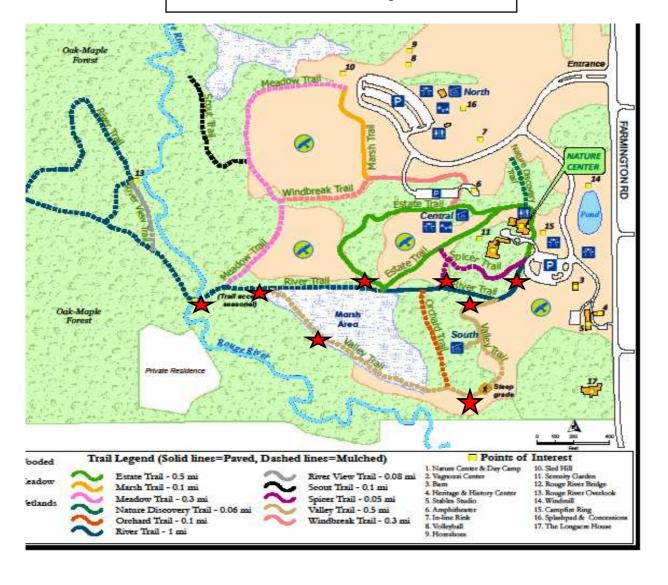


Parents/Guardians:

The Farmington Hills Nature Center is excited to offer **self-guided nature walks connected to your child's current 4**th **grade science unit!** Programs are designed in partnership with FPS science teachers to support classroom learning outcomes. Enjoy the beauty of nature and enhance your child's learning!

Use the **provided Map** and **Energy Scavenger Hunt** to take a nature walk along the Heritage Park trails, following the **red stars** on the map (**River Trail** and **Valley Trail**). Encourage your child to be a detective and think about what they're investigating in their science unit, *Surf's Up*: **How is energy transferred from place to place by sound, light, heat and movement?** Bring a pencil so your student can **record their observations and evidence**, using the Energy Scavenger Hunt.

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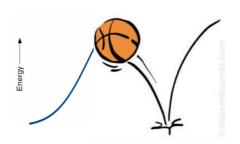
Nature Walk Energy Scavenger Hunt



What is always present buy never visible? ENERGY! Look closely for evidence of energy and record what you find.



Light energy





Energy from moving water

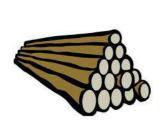




Breathing and moving



Radiant energy



Chemical energy (bio-fuel)



Energy producer



Electrical energy

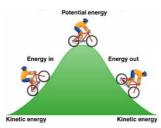
Wind energy



Movement from wind energy



Gas (stored energy)



Kinetic and Potential Energy (Run up and down to feel it)



Elastic energy (Gently pull and release a branch)